

# SSSP Mental Health Division News

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## Mark your Calendars:

- Abstracts Due for Annual Meeting January 31, 2013
- Student Paper Nominations due January 31, 2013
- Greenley Award Nominations due May 1, 2013

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## A Note From the Chair

Still recovering from an excellent set of meetings in Denver! We held four well attended sessions and attendance at the business meeting was excellent. Yes, membership is down, but the rates are consistent with SSSP overall and a reflection, somewhat, on the economy and location of the meetings, though Denver was lovely (and a great place for a run!). To recap: **Jo C. Phelan, Columbia University**, received the Greenley Award for Distinguished Contributions to the Sociology of Mental Health. Our student paper award com-

petition winner, **Ning Hsiesh, from the University of Pennsylvania** joined in the celebrations. She is fabulous! Her paper select-



SSSP Chair 2012 -2013, Steffi Hartwell, UMass Boston

ed under the leadership of the student paper competition chair, **Richard Carpiano, UC British Columbia**, and

his committee, "Sexual Orientation, Social Support, and Mental Distress: A Study of Middle-Aged US Population," was outstanding among her peers. On the whole, the meetings were great, refreshing, fun, and interactive. The Mental Health Division continues to be **on the move** with a busy election season and a **potential name change for the division on the ballot**. We have sessions planned and awards to give and New York City! I am trying to plan a NYC reception on a budget! I'd love ideas

## 2013 IN New York City-Mental Health Division Sessions

63rd Annual Meeting, to be held August 9-11, 2013 at [The Westin New York at Times Square](#) in New York City. The theme is [Re-imagining Social Problems: Moving Beyond Social Constructionism](#). **Jan-**

**uary 31!!!**  
**ABSTRACTS DUE!**  
Mental Health Sessions include two thematic sessions: (1) Space, Place and Mental Health in Reimagined Institutional Contexts or-

ganizes (2) The Social Construction of Veterans with Mental Health Issues. We also have (3) a Critical Dialogue Session, Stress, Coping, and Mental Health Disparities.



Richard Carpiano,  
University of British  
Columbia

### 2013 Chair Election—Candidate Richard Carpiano

#### Professor Carpiano is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of British Columbia.

He has served SSSP on the review committees for the Greenley Award and chaired the student paper competition for the last several years. He is an active member of the division and a thoughtful contributor

at the annual business meetings. His primary interests are in the sociology of health and illness, the social determinants of health, social statistics, classical sociological theory, and social capital and health. His interests center on the sociology of health and illness—particularly how social conditions contribute to the physical and mental health of adults, children, and

the communities in which they live. His related interests are in social capital, social networks, theory-building in population health, social constructions of illness and risk, the measurement of community social environments, and the application of mixed methods to health research.



John Taylor, Florida  
State University

### 2013 Chair Election—Candidate John Taylor

#### Professor Taylor is an Associate Professor of Sociology at Florida State University.

He has been an active member of the SSSP Mental Health Division as well as the ASA mental health section. His

primary areas of research interest include the sociology of mental health and psychiatric epidemiology; ethnicity and health; and social stress and the stress process. He teaches medical sociology, epidemiologic methods, ethnicity and

health, research methods, and sport and society. He is honored to throw his hat in the ring and accept the nomination as a candidate for the SSSP mental health division chairperson.



Bruce Arrigo, UNC Charlotte

### Member News—Bruce Arrigo Honored at 2012 SSSP

Bruce A. Arrigo, was honored at the 2012 SSSP meetings in Denver with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Section of the SSSP. At the ceremony he gave a fantastic talk about technology and social connections and cohesion. His recent publications include: Ber-  
sot, H., Y., & Arrigo, B. A. (Eds.) Ethical Issues in Prisoner Treatment, Of-

fender Therapy, and Community Reentry: International Perspectives and Policy Considerations. Special Double Issue of the *Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice*, Philadelphia, PA: Taylor & Francis (11[2/3]: 99–264, 2011).

Weigle, D., & Arrigo, B.

Eds.) Homelessness: Institutional and Community-based Research, Pro-

gramming, and Policy. Special Issue of the *Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice*, Philadelphia, PA: Taylor & Francis (12[4]: 285–408, 2012).

Pardue, A., Arrigo, B. A., and Murphy, D. S. Sex and sexuality in women's prisons: A preliminary typological investigation. *The Prison Journal*, 91(3): 279–304, 2011.

## Call for Nominations—Greenley Award for Lifetime

**Deadline 5-1-13**

**The Mental Health Division invites nominations for the 2013 James R. Greenley Award for distinguished contributions to the sociology of mental health.** With this award, the Division seeks to recognize individuals who have distinguished careers and made a significant impact on the field through their scholarship, teaching, and

community involvement. Previous award winners include Jerome Myers, Bruce Link, Thomas Scheff, Walter Gove, R. Jay Turner, Bruce Dohrenwend, Bill Avison, Virginia Hiday, Eric Wright, and Jo Phelan. Nominations, including a letter of nomination and a copy of the nominees CV, should be sent via email to [Stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu](mailto:Stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu) or [richard.carpiano@ubc.ca](mailto:richard.carpiano@ubc.ca) by

May 1, 2013. The winner of the 2013 award will be notified in June and the award will be presented at the Mental Health Division's annual Business Meeting in New York City. We hope last years winner **Jo C. Phelan** from the Mailman School of Public Health is enjoying her sabbatical. She gave a lovely speech at our reception, and the dinner following was a rousing success.



## Call for Nominations—Student Paper Competition

**Deadline 1-31-13.**

**The Mental Health Division announces the 2013 Graduate Student**

**Paper Competition.** Papers should involve an empirical analysis, either qualitative or quantitative, dealing with any aspect of the sociology of mental health. To be eligible, a paper must have been

written during 2012 or 2013, and it may not be published or accepted for publication. Papers that were presented at a profes-

sional meeting, submitted for presentation at a professional conference, or are under review for publication are eligible. Papers must be student-authored. They may be single authored by the student or co-authored by more than one student, but may not be co-authored by a faculty member or other nonstudent. Paper must not exceed 28 pages including all notes, references, and tables. To submit your paper for consideration, send two online copies to: Helen Rosenberg, Ph.D. at [rosenbeh@uwp.edu](mailto:rosenbeh@uwp.edu). Please in-

clude (1) a cover letter indicating that you are submitting your paper for the competition; and (2) a letter from your advisor that certifies your graduate-student status and offers some brief comments about your work. The winner will be announced at the 2012 Annual Meeting and will receive a \$150 cash award, plus a ticket to the SSSP banquet where the award will be presented, conference registration and student membership.

Call for papers  
 deadline 1-31-13  
<http://www.sssp1.org/index.cfm/m/509/fuseaction/sspsession2.publicView>

## 2013 NYC Here We Come!!!

—We are still working out reception and 2013 meeting plans. Please contact Stephanie Hartwell at [stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu](mailto:stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu). We discussed the re-

ception at the Annual Business meeting in Denver and lots of folks do not attend our reception because it is in conflict with the SSSP combined reception. Additionally, our budget is extremely limited and space is an issue. All suggestions welcome.





## **JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS JOBS**

**Head, Department of Sociology**  
**FACULTY OF ARTS – University of British Columbia – Vancouver**

The Faculty of Arts invites applications for the position of Head of the Department of Sociology, with anticipated start date of July 1, 2013. We expect that the successful candidate will be appointed at the rank of full Professor; however, exceptional candidates at the senior Associate Professor level also will be considered. The successful candidate must have a Ph.D., a distinguished record of research preferably in any of the Department's broad areas of specialization, a strong commitment to advancing all areas of research, a demonstrated commitment to high quality teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels, and possess a track record of successful graduate supervision. The Department is committed to international visibility, research excellence and societal impact.

The successful candidate will be expected to demonstrate vision and creativity as a leader, administrator, and advocate for the Department. The Head is responsible for recruiting and evaluating faculty, developing scholarly initiatives, and overseeing the educational programs and the financial health of the unit. For information about the Department, visit [www.soci.ubc.ca](http://www.soci.ubc.ca). The position is subject to final budgetary approval. Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. The appointment as Head is typically for a five-year term with the possibility for reappointment.

Applications should include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, a brief description of research interests, a sample of research publications, evidence of teaching effectiveness and the names and contact information of four referees, whom we may contact for confidential letters of reference. Applications and inquiries may be addressed to Professor Geraldine Pratt, Office of the Dean, Faculty of Arts, 1866 Main Mall, Buchanan A240, Vancouver, BC Canada V6T 1Z1. Review of applications will begin on December 1, 2012 and will continue until the position is filled.

**Introducing New PhD Program in Sociology at UMass Boston.** The Sociology PhD Program at UMass Boston builds on the success of our MA Program in Applied Sociology and the research and scholarly accomplishments of our dynamic faculty. PhD students will complete a core set of courses in social theory and research methods and then concentrate in one of three areas: health, mental health and health care services; communities and crime; or immigration and globalization. Doctoral students may also complete requirements for a Graduate Certificate in Survey Research or a Graduate Certificate in Forensic Services. Graduate assistantships will provide doctoral students with opportunities to conduct research in collaboration with faculty and to teach classes under faculty supervision. Training and research opportunities will be enriched through partnerships with the Departments of Psychiatry at the University of Massachusetts Medical School and at the Harvard Medical School, with the Hannover Medical School in Germany, with UMass Boston's McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies, and with faculty in human services at Salem State University and in criminology at UMass Lowell. Coursework and research experiences will prepare students for outstanding academic careers as well as for leadership roles as applied sociologists in public and private agencies and research organizations. Applications are welcome for Fall, 2013. Contact Graduate Program Director Stephanie Hartwell ([stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu](mailto:stephanie.hartwell@umb.edu)) or check us out on the web: [http://www.umb.edu/academics/cla/sociology/graduate\\_programs/phd\\_in\\_sociology](http://www.umb.edu/academics/cla/sociology/graduate_programs/phd_in_sociology)

